

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: CDES, UK, (MORAVEC, SELMA M.)  
SUBJ: POSSIBLE DEATH OF SELMA M. MORAVEC

REF: STATE 224440

1. CONGRESSMAN MILLER INTERESTED.  
2. POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION OF THE REMAINS NOT YET  
POSSIBLE. POSTMORTEM REPORT INDICATES NORMAL SKELETAL  
SYSTEM AND NO SCARS IDENTIFIED HOWEVER POSSIBILITY OF  
SPINAL FUSION NOT RULED OUT. PATHOLOGIST WHO CONDUCTED  
POSTMORTEM JANUARY 27 UNAVAILABLE BUT A FORENSIC  
COLLEAGUE TOLD CONOFF THAT UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES (SKIN  
DETERIORATION AND OBVIOUS DEATH BY DROWNING) EVIDENCE OF  
SPINAL FUSION COULD EASILY BE MISSED SINCE PATHOLOGIST  
WOULD NOT BE LOOKING FOR IT. X-RAYS NOT NORMALLY PART OF

POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION AND NONE WERE TAKEN. SINCE BODY  
WAS SUBSEQUENTLY BURIED ON FEBRUARY 27 X-RAYS CANNOT NOW  
BE TAKEN WITHOUT EXHUMATION.

3. CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE STRONGLY SUPPORTS THAT  
UNIDENTIFIED REMAINS RECOVERED FROM THAMES ARE THOSE OF  
SELMA MORAVEC. POLICE ARE CONDUCTING FURTHER INVESTIGA-  
TION AND EMBASSY HAS OBTAINED THEIR COOPERATION IN GIVING  
HIGHER PRIORITY TO THIS CASE. POLICE PROVIDING DENTAL  
CHART WHICH WE WILL FORWARD TO DEPARTMENT FOR ASSISTANCE  
IN CIRCULARIZING DENTISTS IN MASSACHUSETTS AS REQUESTED  
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BY MS. REID. FINGERPRINTS ALSO AVAILABLE FOR COMPARISON  
WITH FBI FILES. PHOTOGRAPH OF NECKLACE FOUND ON BODY  
MIGHT ALSO BE IDENTIFIABLE AS PROPERTY OF MRS. MORAVEC,  
HOWEVER THIS MIGHT NOT BE ACCEPTABLE TO CORONER AS PROOF  
OF IDENTITY IN ABSENCE IDENTIFICATION OF FINGERPRINTS  
AND/OR DENTAL REMAINS.

4. IF IDENTIFICATION CANNOT BE ESTABLISHED BY OTHER

MEANS EXHUMATION MAY BE NECESSARY FOR EXAMINATION OF SKELETAL MATERIAL. HOWEVER THAT WOULD BE EXTREMELY COMPLICATED NOT LEAST BECAUSE IT IS UNCLEAR WHO WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE COSTS INVOLVED. AT THIS POINT IT IS PREFERABLE THAT OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION, PARTICULARLY FINGERPRINTS AND DENTAL RECORDS BE PURSUED.

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